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LOK SABHA

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TASK FORCE ON FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of action plan as well as implementation schedule finalized for implementation of various recommendations of the Task Force on flood and erosion control;

(b) the details of flood and erosion control projects submitted by the State Governments including Assam Government pending for clearance showing total outlays as well as stages of clearance; and

(c) the specific plan, if any, finalized for controlling flood and erosion of the Brahmaputra river and its tributaries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DASMUNSI)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No.335 to be answered on 18.04.2005 in Lok Sabha regarding Task Force on Flood and Erosion Control.

(a) The Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) had set up a Task Force for Flood Management/Erosion control under the chairmanship of Chairman, CWC to look into the problem of floods in Assam & neighbouring states, West Bengal, Bihar & Eastern Uttar Pradesh. The task force has submitted its report, which has been sent to the various Ministries / Planning Commission and the concerned State Governments. The same is under consideration in this Ministry.

(b) The Statement giving status of appraisal of flood management schemes pending clearance is detailed below:-

Sl.No	Name of State	Schemes under examination		Schemes for which comments sent	
		No. of schemes	Estimated Cost (In Rs. crore)	No. of schemes	Estimated cost (In Rs. crore)
A.	Central Water Commission##				
1.	Arunachal Pr.	3	14.69	1	4.90
2.	Assam	5(2#)	68.88	22(12#)	266.11
3.	Meghalaya	-	-	1#	1.80
4.	Mizoram	-	-	1	5.60
5.	Nagaland	1#	1.81	-	-
6.	Tripura	-	-	5(1#)	37.30
7	J&K	7	14.80	7	146.29
8.	Gujarat	-	-	1	1427.30

9.	Punjab	1	8.19	1	128.29
10.	Himachal Pradesh	-	-	1	241.57
11.	Andhra Pradesh	-	-	2	12.50
12.	Orissa	-	-	6	740.95
13.	Karnataka	-	-	1	183.20
14.	Kerala	-	-	1	5.80

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15.	Bihar	2	357.98	15	93.86
16.	Jharkhand	-	-	-	-
17.	West Bengal	5	12.32	6	6.78
18.	Uttar Pradesh	6	122.80	9	296.35

Schemes submitted by the Brahmaputra Board.
Upto March 2005.
Upto Jan. 2005.

(c) Govt of India had set up Brahmaputra Board under an act of Parliament i.e Brahmaputra Board Act,1980 (46 of 1980) under the then Ministry of Irrigation(now renamed as Ministry of Water Resources). The Board has been given responsibility for preparation of Master Plan to control floods, bank erosion and improvement of drainage in the Brahmaputra and Barak Valleys also giving due regard to the development and utilisation of the Water Resources for irrigation, hydropower, navigation and other beneficial use. Accordingly, the Brahmaputra Board undertook preparation of the Master Plan in three parts as indicated below:-

(a) Part I - Main Stem of Brahmaputra river

(b) Part II -The Barak river

(c) Part III-The tributaries of the Brahmaputra & Barak & rivers of Tripura

The Part I &Part II of the Master Plans have been approved by the Govt of India. Under part III, 32 Master Plans have been approved by the Govt of India.

Government of India has approved the scheme " Critical flood control and anti erosion schemes in Brahmaputra and Barak valley under State sector estimated to cost Rs 150.00 Cr as the share of Central Govt (90% grant and 10% loan) for implementation during X plan. Out of this an amount of Rs 81 Cr has been earmarked for the State of Assam.